ಶ್ರೀ ವೈ. ಎಂ. ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರಯ್ಯ.—ಕಡೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನೀರು ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟಿದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ನರ್ಸ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಆಗಲೇ ಒಮ್ಮೆ ಕೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ.

ಶ್ರೀ ವಿ. ವೆಂಕಟಪ್ಪ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಒಂದು ವಿಷಯ ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತರಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ. ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಿಂತ ಮುಂಚೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಬರದೆ ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಉಳಿದಿವೆ. ಆಗಲೇ ಈಚೆಗೆ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕಾಗದ ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಕೆಲವು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾದರೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕುಗಳಿಂದ, ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಿಂದ ತರಿಸಿ ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಇನ್ನು ಕೆಲವು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಸೆಕ್ರೆಟೇರಿಯಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕ ಸಾಮಗ್ರಿಗಳಿಂದಲೇ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಅದ್ದರಿಂದ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕುಗಳಿಂದ, ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಿಂದ ತರಿಸಿಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದರೆ ಕಷ್ಟವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The point is that the questions were sent about one month ago or two months ago, but so far answers have not been furnished. There cannot be so much of delay unless they are withheld for good reasons.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—The delay has occurred not in all cases, Sir. Wherever it was possible they have furnished the information. But if there is any peculiar difficulty for getting necessary information, there must be delay. We will enquire into the matter.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಈಪ್ರೊತ್ತು ಪೊದಲನೆಯ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ನನ್ನ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿದೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ರೂಲ್ಸ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಒಂದು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯನ್ನು ಒಂದು ಸಾರಿಯಲ್ಲದೆ ಎರಡನೆ ಸಾರಿ ಕರೆಯುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ನನಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರವಿದೆ. ಮೂರನೆಯ ಸಾರಿ ಕರೆಯಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಸಭೆಯವರನ್ನು ಕೇಳಬೇಕು ; ನನಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರವಿಲ್ಲ. I do not want to create a bad precedent. If the House permits I will take up.

(The House gave consent).

Iron Racks for Khadi Emporium (Purchase).

Q.—675. Sri B. M. SEENAPPA (Cubbonpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that for the purchase of iron racks required for the use of the recently opened Khadi Emporium the concerned Department sent in an indent with details of sizes and quantity to the Stores Purchase Committee ;

(*b*) whether the S. P. C. called for tenders in respect of these racks furnishing details of sizes and quantity as made available by the Department ;

(*c*) whether the quotations received in response to the S. P. C. Tender Notifications were referred to the Department by the S. P. C. with the direction to accept the lowest tender as per rules and to return the records ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that on the reply received from the Department to the S. P. C. Secretary's reminder, the Secretary, S. P. C., observed by another communication to the Department that they had placed an order revising the size, quantity and quality and that the rate accepted by the Department was fourteen times over and above the S.P.C.'s rate and that as per rules it was the S.P.C. that had to place the order and that the S. P. C. cannot agree to the order placed by the Department especially in regard to the rate ;

(*e*) whether the connected records will be placed on the Table ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The Stores Purchase Committee had observed that the price paid was excessive on a mistaken impression and incorrect knowledge of facts. But when correct facts were furnished the Stores Purchase Committee approved of the transaction as the price paid was only according to the rates approved by the Stores Purchase Committee and as the supply was also from a firm in the Stores Purchase Committee approved list.

(*e*) Not considered necessary.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಇಲಾಖೆಯವರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಕರೆಯುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ನೋಟಿಫಿಕೇಷನ್ ಏನಾದರೂ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿದ್ದರೇ ? ಅಥವಾ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಾದರೂ ಪ್ರಕಟಪಡಿಸಿದ್ದರೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ವಿವರ ನನ್ನಲ್ಲಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಸ್ಪೆಸಿಫಿಕೇಷನ್ನನ್ನು ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾದರೆ Departmental Headನ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ತಾನೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಹೌದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ರೀತಿ ಅವರು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ನನಗೆ ಬಂದಿರತಕ್ಕ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಡೈರೆಕ್ಟರು ಹೋಗಿ ಕೆಲವು Firms ನೋಡಿ, ಅವಡಿಯೊಳಗೆ ಯಾವರೀತಿ cloth emporiumನಲ್ಲಿ display ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ uniform glass almirahs ಇದ್ದರೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ಆರ್ಡರ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದೂ, ಅದರಮೇಲೆ ಮೊದಲು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದ ಆರ್ಡರ್ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಭಾವಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದೂ ಹೇಳಿ ಸ್ಟೋರ್ಸ್ ಪರ್ಚೇಸ್ ಕಮಿಟಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿದಮೇಲೆ, ಸ್ಟೋರ್ಸ್ ಪರ್ಚೇಸ್ ಕಮಿಟಿಯವರು ಡೈರೆಕ್ಟರವರು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದನ್ನು ratify ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ವರದಿ ಬಂದಿದೆ.

12-30 P.M.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕಾರ್ ಫಾರ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಇಲಾಖಾ ಮುಖ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಪರ್ಮಿಷ್ಷ ಬೇಕಲ್ಲವೆ? ಅದನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕಾಲ್‌ಫಾರ್ ಮಾಡುವವರು ಎಸ್. ಪಿ. ಸಿ. ನವರು. ಇಲಾಖೆಯವರು ಇಂಥ ಮಾಲುಬೇಕೆಂದು ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕಾಲ್‌ಫಾರ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವವರು ಎಸ್. ಪಿ. ಸಿ. ನವರು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ಎಸ್. ಪಿ. ಸಿ. ಯಿಂದ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ಎರಡು ಕಾಗದಗಳನ್ನು ದಯವಿಟ್ಟು ಓದುತ್ತೀರಾ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—That is in the nature of the correspondence. I have not got those papers readily available.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ದರ 14 ರಷ್ಟು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿದೆ, ಅದನ್ನು ಒಪ್ಪುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಸೆಕ್ರೆಟರಿ ಕಾಗದದಲ್ಲಿ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ಒಪ್ಪಿದ್ದಾರೆ. 14 ರಷ್ಟು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಕೊಡಲು ಯಾರು ಪರ್ಮಿಷ್ಷ ಕೊಟ್ಟರು?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಒಪ್ಪಿದ್ದಾರೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಂ. ಶೀನಪ್ಪ.—ದಯವಿಟ್ಟು ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಫೈಲನ್ನು ಟೇಬಲ್‌ಮೇಲೆ ಇಡುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಪೂರ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ಇಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ; ರೆಲವೆಂಟ್ ಪೇಪರ್ಸ್ ಇಡುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—What was the reason for accepting such an exaggerated rate as 14½ times over and above the rate, Sir?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I have already said, Sir. First of all an enquiry was sent according to certain specifications. Afterwards the Director of Rural Industrialisation Scheme visited several firms in the City with a view to study how the cloth emporia are generally equipped to attractively display the goods. He found during his inspection that the uniform steel racks and counters and glass almirahs are preferable to partly wooden and partly steel racks. Then he made this fact known to the Stores Purchase Committee. Therefore quotations were called for. The firms, it appears, were given an opportunity of quoting and subsequently the S.P.C. was requested to ratify the orders passed; they have examined the question and they are pleased to ratify the action taken by the Director.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—May I understand that no thought was given to these purchases at the time when quotations were called for for the first time?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I am not prepared to accept that position, Sir. But I can say this much. Some times we place orders for an article say A. Subsequently if it comes to the notice of the officer concerned that B is preferable to A, probably with the consent of the S.P.C. or even if it is done without it, he gets it ratified afterwards. Although it may be said that it is not strictly in compliance with the provisions of the S.P.C. Rules, later on the S.P.C. were satisfied with the action taken by the officer and his *bona fides* and they ratified.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, what was the difficulty in getting fresh quotations for the articles which were found necessary for a good display?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Probably the exigencies of the situation and also the need to get the articles early with a view to start the emporium. Sir, I place these facts for the consideration of the House: The S.P.C. first called for quotations for the following articles:

> "Steel racks—Length 37'—8" height 6' 3" and depth 15" number of shelves—five".

The quantity actually purchased and the rate at which the articles were purchased were:

Steel rack length *536'*—8 racks joined together. It is not one. Height 73" depth 18"—number of shelves—6 includes angle iron used $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 1\frac{1}{2}" \times \frac{3}{8}"$

First of all the orders were placed for the one that I said. The officer later thought that the other one would be much more preferable than the one for which he placed orders. So actually it will be seen, since 8 racks are joined together, the price is placed as 536 which would not be 14 times but it will be something less. It may be 14 times the original quotation.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I do not dispute the officer's discretion in trying to select the new type racks required. My question was, what was the special difficulty in calling for fresh quotations?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Perhaps that would have been better. But I believe on account of the exigencies of work, he was asked to open emporia very soon—Probably the S.P.C. procedure might delay matters and the S.P.C. probably taking into consideration this special circumstance and believing in the *bona fides*, ratified his action. No doubt, I am prepared to concede, it is irregular in procedure. But that has been ratified by the S.P.C.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—What is the total amount that has been paid for these racks?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—One rack costs Rs. 536. I have not got figures to say how many racks were purchased.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Whether it came to the notice of the Government that the racks that are now purchased are not of very good standard?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I will get it examined. I believe S.P.C. has got itself satisfied about it.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I want to know whether the S.P.C. has made an inspection of the articles and got itself satisfied or whether the S.P.C. is satisfied about the procedure or the discretion used by the officer concerned.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I have got the Report to say that the S.P.C. after calling for particulars, have ratified. Therefore, it can safely be presumed that the S.P.C. has examined the facts of the case and has come to the conclusion that it is correct.

Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS.—Who is the supplier of these racks, Sir? Can you please tell me?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Notice please.

ಶ್ರೀ ವೈ. ಎಂ. ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರಯ್ಯ.—ಎಸ್.ಪಿ.ಸಿ. ಇರುವುದು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿದ್ದವೀರಪ್ಪ.—ಅದು ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ವೈ. ಎಂ. ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರಯ್ಯ.—ಈಗ ಕಡೂರಿಗೆ ಅಥವಾ ತಿಪಟೂರಿಗೆ ಸಾಮಾನು ಬರಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಿಂದ ನರಬರಾಯಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರೋ ಅಥವಾ ಬೇರೆ ಕಡೆಯಿಂದ ನರಬರಾಯಿಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆಯೋ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಇದರಿಂದ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Sir, after the tenders are called for, what is the procedure that is adopted in accepting the tenders?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—It will be seen that it will have to be done after obtaining the views of the officer concerned. He will have to send his remarks and these factors will be taken into consideration before the tender is accepted or rejected. The price factor, the date for delivery of goods and various other factors such as suitability of the articles purchased—taking all these factors into consideration and also the recommendation of the particular officer concerned, the tenders may be accepted. Then the S.P.C. uses its discretion in accepting or rejecting the tender.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Is it not obligatory on the part of the S.P.C. to consult the concerned Head of the Department before tenders are accepted?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—That is exactly what they do.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—In this particular case, have they accepted the tender in that manner?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As I have already said, there was a little irregularity; that has been rectified by the S.P.C.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Is it the only case wherein the specifications have been changed or, are there any more cases like this?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—This is the one case that has come to my notice now.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that such things have happened in many cases ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—There is the Committee for the S.P.C. and I am sure they will look into it.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—There are so many other cases wherein for one specification tender is called for but without calling for re-tenders or anything of the kind, they have gone and purchased materials of other specifications at a higher cost, even though they could get them at a lower cost ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It does not arise.

Gold Thread for Silk Weaving Factory, Mysore (purchase in Marcs).

Q.—699. Sri B. M. SEENAPPA (Cubbonpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state ;—

(*a*) the quantity (in Marcs) and the cost thereon of gold thread that was purchased by the Government Silk Weaving Factory at Mysore during the years 1952-53, 1953-54, and 1954-55 ;

(*b*) from whom the above purchases were made (details may be given separately for each firm with quantity, rate and amount) ;

(*c*) In respect of the purchases made in 1954-55 (i) the person who placed the orders for supply, (ii) the dates on which such orders for supply were placed with each firm, (iii) the dates on which supplies against such orders were made, (iv) the date on which payment was made for each supply ;

(*d*) of the above firms which are those in which gold thread is manufactured within the State ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(*a*) and (*b*) Please see Statement 'A' appended below.

(*c*) (i), (iii) and (iv) Please see Statement 'B' appended below.

(*d*) Messrs. S. Dhondusa Gold Thread Factory, Bangalore.